

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1 1. (Currently amended) An image data recording apparatus comprising:
2 an image signal processing module which converts ~~means for converting~~ an
3 image signal to a digital image signal;
4 a first image compressing module which encodes ~~means for encoding~~ said digital
5 image signal to first image data according to a first recording format;
6 a second image compressing module which encodes ~~means for encoding~~ said
7 digital image signal to second image data according to a second recording format whose coding
8 rate is lower than the coding rate of the first recording format;
9 a recording module which records ~~means for recording~~ image data on a recording
10 medium;
11 a transmission module which transmits ~~means for transmitting~~ image data to an
12 external apparatus; and
13 a control module which provides ~~means for providing~~ control so that said digital
14 image signal converted by said image signal processing module is encoded, and said first image
15 compressing module and said second image compressing module are controlled so as to generate
16 said first image data and said second image data in parallel, [[to]]and said second image [[and]]is
17 recorded on said recording medium, and after connection is established with the external
18 apparatus, said digital image signal is encoded to and said first image data [[and]]is transmitted
19 to the external apparatus via the transmission module ~~means~~.

1 2. (Currently amended) An image data recording apparatus according to
2 Claim 1, wherein said control module means provides further control so that if said recording
3 medium ~~has not a~~does not have sufficient recording capacity, the recorded first image data is
4 erased from said recording medium after said first image data is recorded on said recording
5 medium and then transmitted via said transmission module means to the external apparatus.

1 3. (Currently amended) An image data recording apparatus according to
2 Claim 1 further comprising a display module which displays means for displaying images, and
3 an image decoding module which decodes means for decoding said second image data to an
4 image signal which can be represented on said display module means,
5 wherein said control module means provides further control so that if an operation
6 is made to instruct replay, said second image data recorded on said recording medium is decoded
7 by said image decoding module means and images are displayed on said display module means
8 based on the decoded second image data.

4-6. (Canceled)

1 7. (Currently amended) An image data recording method comprising [[the]]
2 steps of:
3 establishing a connection with an external apparatus;
4 converting an image signal to a digital image signal;
5 encoding said digital image signal to first image data according to a first
6 recording format;
7 encoding, concurrently with the foregoing step of encoding, said digital image
8 signal to second image data according to a second recording format whose coding rate is lower
9 than the coding rate of the first recording format;
10 recording said second image data on a recording medium; and
11 transmitting said first image data to said external apparatus.

1 8. (Original) An image data recording method according to Claim 7,
2 wherein said first image data is recorded on said recording medium and then transmitted to the
3 external apparatus and the recorded first image data is erased from said recording medium after
4 the transmission is complete.

1 9. (Currently amended) An image data recording method according to Claim
2 7 wherein if an operation is made to instruct replay, second image data recorded on said
3 recording medium is decoded and images are displayed on a display module ~~means~~-based on the
4 decoded second image data.

10-12. (Canceled)

1 13. (Currently amended) An information recording method comprising [[the]]
2 steps of:
3 establishing a connection with an external apparatus;
4 converting an information signal to a digital information signal;
5 encoding said digital information signal to first information data according to a
6 first recording format;
7 encoding, concurrently with the foregoing step of encoding, said digital
8 information signal to second information data according to a second recording format whose
9 coding rate is lower than the coding rate of the first recording format;
10 recording said second information data on a recording medium; and
11 transmitting said first information data to said external apparatus.

14. (Canceled)